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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Albert L. Donaldson GAU: 2145
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FOR: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR BLOCKING E-MAIL HAVING A
NONEXISTENT SENDER ADDRESS

COMMENTS ON REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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SIR:

Applicants hereby submit the following comments on the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance set forth in the Notice of Allowance issued in the above-identified application.

Applicants note that the reasons noted by the Examiner are not based on the strict language of the claims, and therefore the claims are not limited to the features described by the Examiner. In addition, the prior art does not show other features and combinations of features recited in the allowed independent and dependent claims. Therefore, the reasons set forth by the Examiner are not the sole reasons that the claims are patentably distinct over the prior art.

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